

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-21 are pending.

Claims 1-21 are rejected.

Claims 3 and 10 have been amended. Support for these amendments can be found throughout the specification and drawings, as originally filed.

The specification has been amended to correct various typographical errors. Support for these amendments can be found throughout the specification and drawings, as originally filed. The Applicant avers that no new matter has been added.

The drawings have been amended to more clearly depict the invention as fully and completely described in the specification. Replacement sheets for Figs. 1-14 are submitted concurrently herewith. The Applicant avers that no new matter has been added.

JUDICIALLY CREATED NONSTATUTORY DOUBLE PATENTING REJECTION

Claims 1, 2 and 9 stand provisionally rejected under the judicially created doctrine of double patenting over claims 1, 2 and 8 of copending Application No. 10/823,466.

The Applicant respectfully traverses the double patenting rejection of claims 1, 2 and 9.

In the interests of expediting the prosecution of the instant application, and without admission that any amendment is necessary, the Applicant submits herewith a terminal disclaimer.

Accordingly, the Applicant submits that the double patenting rejection of claims 1, 2 and 9 has been overcome or rendered moot.

35 USC § 112 REJECTION, FIRST PARAGRAPH

Claims 1-21 stand rejected under 35 USC §112, first paragraph, as failing to comply with the enablement requirement.

The Applicant respectfully traverses the 35 USC §112, first paragraph, rejection of claims 1-21.

In the interests of expediting the prosecution of the instant application, and without admission that any amendment is necessary, the Applicant has amended the drawings, particularly Figs. 6-8, to more clearly depict element 18, i.e., the fluid supply passage, and accordingly, submit that pending claims 1-21 contain subject matter that is fully described in the specification in such a way as to enable one skilled in the art to which it pertains, or with which it is most nearly connected, to make and/or use the invention.

Accordingly, the Applicant submits that the 35 USC §112, first paragraph, rejection of claims 1-21 has been overcome or rendered moot.

35 USC § 112 REJECTION, SECOND PARAGRAPH

Claims 1-21 are rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

The Applicant respectfully traverses the 35 USC §112, second paragraph, rejection of claims 1-21.

In the interests of expediting the prosecution of the instant application, and without admission that any amendment is necessary, the Applicant has amended the drawings, particularly Figs. 6-8, to more clearly depict element 18, i.e., the fluid supply passage, and accordingly, submit that pending claims 1-21 are definite and particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which applicant regards as the invention.

Accordingly, the Applicant submits that the 35 USC §112, second paragraph, rejection of claims 1-21 has been overcome or rendered moot.

CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, the Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and reexamination of the Application. The Applicant respectfully submits that each item raised by the Examiner in the Office Action of August 2, 2005 has been successfully traversed, overcome or rendered moot by this response. The Applicant respectfully submits that each of the claims in this Application is in condition for allowance and such allowance is earnestly solicited.

The Examiner is invited to telephone the Applicant's undersigned attorney at (248) 364-4300 if any unresolved matters remain.

Any needed extension of time is hereby requested with the filing of this document.

The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 501612. A duplicate copy of this letter is enclosed herewith.

Respectfully submitted,

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DRAWING AMENDMENTS

In the interests of expediting the prosecution of the instant application, and without admission that any amendment is necessary, the Applicant submits herewith replacement drawings of Figs. 1-14.

Specifically, the Applicant has amended Figs. 1 and 2 to delete element 18 and the leader line associated therewith. Additionally, the Applicant has amended Fig. 2 to delete element 20 and the leader line associated therewith.

The Applicant has amended Fig. 3 to include elements 14, 18, 22, 50 and the leader lines associated therewith. Additionally, the Applicant has amended Fig. 3 to modify the leader lines for elements 20, 24 and 36. Furthermore, the Applicant has amended Fig. 3 to change element 50 to element 60.

The Applicant has amended Fig. 3A to more clearly depict element 34 and the leader line associated therewith. Additionally, the Applicant has amended Fig. 3A to include elements 35 and the leader lines associated therewith.

The Applicant has amended Fig. 4 to remove a section of cross-hatching that should have indicated lack of structure.

The Applicant has amended Fig. 6 to delete element 30 and the leader line associated therewith. Additionally, the Applicant has amended Fig. 6 to include elements 10, 16, 40 and the leader lines associated therewith. Furthermore, the Applicant has amended Fig. 6 to modify the leader lines for elements 18, 20, 32, and 42.

The Applicant has amended Fig. 7 to modify the leader lines for element 18.